Mr. President : Before I put this motion to the House, I would like to say that I also wish to associate myself with the expression of sympathy and condolence from different quarters of this House. I will now ask all the members to pass this motion standing.

Motion passed nem con *all members standing*

Announcement by the President—Re-arrangement of business

Mr. President : I have now to announce that the Council will not sit tomorrow. The business that has been put down for tomorrow will be taken on Wednesday, the business that has been put down for Wednesday will be taken on Thursday, the business that has been put down for Thursday will be taken on Friday and that put down for Friday will be taken on Saturday.

Announcement of Election of a member to the Standing Finance Committee

I also have to announce that the nomination papers for the election of a member to the Standing Finance Committee in the place of Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan will be received by the Secretary to the Council up to 5 o' clock on Wednesday afternoon, the 9th of February 1944. The election will be held on Thursday, the 10th.

Statement of expenditure placed on the table

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Comptroller of Finance and Accounts) :* Sir, Under Rule 58 of the Legislative Council Rules I beg to place the following statement of expenditure authorised by Government under section 28 (1) (c) of the Government of Cochin Act 1113.

Serial No.	*Head of account*	*Amount*	*Remarks*
1.	Cranganur 6 Excise Refunds (1118)	Rs. 28	The actual refund sanctioned to licensees to toddy shops exceeded the budget grant and this amount had to be urgently provided.

SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS

1. Rs. 340 under "22. Veterinary Miscellaneous"

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 340 under" 2C—Veterinary—Miscellanuous". The tank in front of the Veterinary Hospital, Mattancheri, has to be filled up. An expenditure of Rs. 340 is necessary for the purpose. There is no allotment for the same in the current year's budget. Hence an additional allotment of Rs. 340 is necessary under the above head. I request the House may be pleased to grant the same.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur):* Regarding the general business of these supplementary grants, I may be permitted to bring to your notice the fact that of the 75 demands we have explanations only for 25 have been furnished.

Mr. President : When we come to the 26th, the Hon'ble Member may raise the point.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur):* For greater expedition of business we may postpone it to another day so that we may have sufficient notice of all the demands.

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* I think that all the 75 demands have been explained.

Mr. President : We will take the grants as they come.

Demand put and carried

2. Rs. 500 under "4-B—Village Courts—T. A."

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 500 under "T. A. 4-B—Village Courts." The usual allotment under T. A. before the creation of the Village Courts Department was Rs. 400 in "3-B—Village Courts." This amount was intended for payment of T. A. to Panchayat Court clerks for one journey in a month for treasury transactions. Government have since sanctioned payment of T. A. twice a month for treasury transactions. Further, the daily allowance has been raised to annas 10 for clerks. The provision under T. A. in the Village Courts Budget is only Rs. 440. In the first three months of 1119 a sum of Rs. 264—8—0 has been spent on this account and the balance in the allotment *viz.*, Rs. 175—8—0 will not be sufficient for payment of T. A. for the remaining months. On an average a sum of Rs. 75 will be required every month. There will be no savings in the current year's budget. Hence the necessity for the additional allotment of Rs. 500. I request the House may be pleased to grant the same.

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